

Absaroka-Beartooth Plateau Travel Planning Area

A. Alternative Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternative 1

Alternative 1 is the “no action” alternative. There would be no changes to current management direction applicable to travel management.

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternatives 2 through 7-M

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for hiking, horseback riding and stock use consistent with maintaining Wilderness character. *This goal is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7-M.*

OBJ. 1-1a: Manage the trail system to provide for the following types of summer recreation use. *This objective is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 6, but miles of opportunity varies as noted in the table below. The column for Alternative 7-M is provided for comparison only.*

Table II – 6 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	44	44	39	39	39	39	19
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	1	1	0**	0**	22
Hiking (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	44	44	44	44	44	44	44
Hiking (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*	0*
* Use for this activity is not prohibited on any trails; use is either emphasized or allowed.							
** Use for this activity is prohibited on some trails.							

Table II - 7 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Pack and Saddle Stock							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	33,561	32,770	34,506	34,506	37,077
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seasonal Restrictions on Overnight Camping <u>2/</u>							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Restrictions							
Wilderness	65,670	65,670	32,109	32,900	31,164	31,164	28,593
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net	65,670	65,670	65,670	65,670	65,670	65,670	65,670
<u>2/</u> Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.							

Note: All motorized and mechanized uses are prohibited in designated Wilderness.

OBJ. 1-1b: Achieve the summer recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 1 through the route-by-route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for summer uses under Alternative 7-M] which is hereby incorporated by reference. *This objective applies to Alternative 7-M only.*

OBJ. 1-2: Provide a designated day use only trail route for pack and saddle stock (July 15 to September 15, annually) from Green Lake north to the Summerville Lake Basin. *This objective is applicable to Alternative 2 only.*

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Allow for primitive, unmanaged, backcountry recreation use. *This goal is applicable to Alternatives 2 through 7-M.*

B. Alternative Route-by-Route Management

See attached route table.

